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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

A restriction requirement was the only point raised in the Official Action mailed on October 11, 2005. To facilitate the prosecution of this case, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-37 and 59-112, for examination. Claims 38-58 are withdrawn; however, Applicants reserve the right to file divisionals to the non-elected Group II claims.

Applicants respectfully suggest that the claims are related such that simultaneous search and examination of all claim groups identified by the Examiner would not present an undue burden and would be more efficient than separate search and examination.

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CONCLUSION

It is believed that an action on the merits is in order and such is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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